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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
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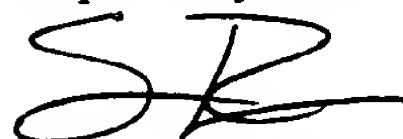
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two-months to and including January 24, 2002, in which to respond to the Office Action and the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated October 24, 2001.

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